

Rockville’s 2003 Sculpture On The Grounds Unveiled

Part of the excitement of Rockville’s “Art In Public Places” program is anticipating where the next work of art will pop up, and what it will be.

The curious need to wait no more. The 15th Annual 2003 Sculpture On The Grounds exhibit has arrived at Rockville Civic Center Park (Edmonston Drive and Baltimore Road) and is free for the public to see.

Four sculptures, chosen from a pool of 25 highly qualified submissions by a Review Board (with members from the Cultural

Arts Commission, Rockville Art League, Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County, a visual artist and an architect), will be on display through Oct. 19.

“The Review Board had a wide variety of work from which to select,” said Betty Wisda, Rockville’s Arts Programs Supervisor. “The result is an entertaining, creative display of talent from regional artists that I know will delight visitors.”

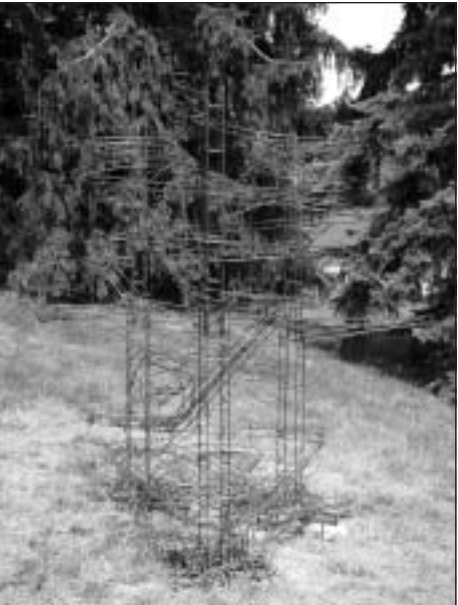
The four pieces are “Giraffe,” “Orbital,” “Solar Jazz” and “Zig Zag Boogie Woogie.”

The board’s selections, which represent works that are large-scale, well-fabricated and have materials suited for the outdoors, are different from previous years as this exhibit includes an interactive sculpture (“Orbital”) as well as sculptures that play with the sunlight and moonlight (“Solar Jazz” and “Zig Zag Boogie Woogie”).

Like any outdoor project in the region, the artists faced an incredible challenge during installation in late May. The constant rain left the artists with very short win-

dows of opportunity to install their works prior to the opening reception, which was held in early June. But Malcolm Hally (Rockville), Floyd Roberts (Wheaton), Tom Rooney (Washington, D.C.) and Bill Wood (Fairfax) met the challenge and their works can be found near the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre.

Self-guided tour maps are available on the first floor of Glenview Mansion and additional information is available at 240-314-8681. ■



MALCOLM HALLY

“Orbital” **steel**
Artist’s statement: “Some of my work can be interfered with or caused to move. The movement is not the structure itself ... it is more the introduction of a sphere that moves down a ramp or inclined track. The expectancy for the ball to move downward is absolute. It cannot defy gravity and move up the ramp; continuance and immutability are essential for the truthfulness of what is here and now.”



FLOYD ROBERTS

“Giraffe” **copper metal**
Artist’s statement: “My appreciation and respect for nature and different species of animals inspired this creation. At my home in Wheaton, several distinct copper sculptures are exhibited on the lawn. The sculptures include a grizzly bear having lunch, a mountain goat and a turtle. The giraffe is one of my zoological creations.”



TOM ROONEY

“Solar Jazz” **treated wood & stainless steel**
Artist’s statement: “Solar Jazz’ is literally a reflection of the many changing strengths, colors and moods of our source of light and energy – our sun. Each hour of the day, the light from the sun constantly changes depending on the time of year, the time of day and the weather. ... The light can be dazzling and colorful, but always vibrant — even on dull days.”



BILL WOOD

“Zig Zag Boogie Woogie” **stainless steel**
Artist’s statement: “Outdoor sculpture is always in a state of change. The impact of the environment on the sculpture and the relationship of the sculpture on the surrounding environment always are changing. “Zig Zag Boogie Woogie” is catching, bending, reflecting light and casting shadows in different directions all day and sometimes at night.”

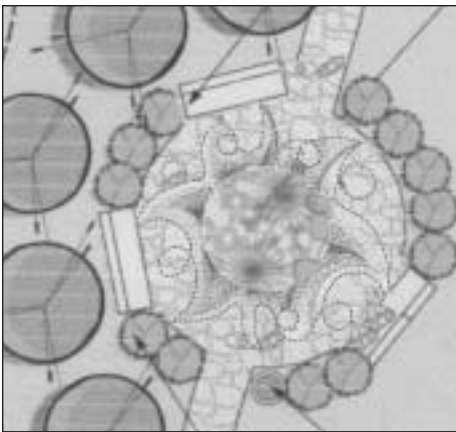
Installation Set for Mary Trumbo Park

The work of art that will highlight Mary Trumbo Park in East Rockville is scheduled to be installed this summer. The Mayor and Council awarded a \$7,500 commission to local artist Deirdre Saunder for her design proposal for Mary Trumbo Park.

“The Flow of Life” will pay tribute to the late Mary Trumbo – a longtime Rockville resident who was struck by a car and killed while crossing Route 355 in November 2001. The art represents a mosaic water motif inlaid within the park plaza with Trumbo’s poetry inscribed in the benches on the perimeter of the plaza.

Saunder, a Rhodes Scholar with a master’s degree from the Ruskin School of Drawing and Fine Art at Oxford University, wanted the artwork to reflect the theme of water; something beautiful and colorful that will show in the winter; and, something strong and bold, to reflect Trumbo’s pragmatic, joyous, selfless life.

Mary Trumbo Park is a small neighbor-



A sketch of plans for Mary Trumbo Park.

hood park. The focal point will be the circular concrete plaza with three benches and a garden that reflects Trumbo’s love of gardening. The plaza is in the center of a stamped concrete pathway that traverses the park from Grandin Avenue to Park Road. Neighborhood residents will use the park for leisure activities like sitting, reading, and enjoying the gardens.

The art project is funded through the Art In Public Places project in the Capital Improvements Program. ■

Rockville Civic Ballet presents

SUMMER PRODUCTION

Directed by Claudia Mangan

Dates:

Saturday, Aug. 9, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 10, 2:30 p.m.

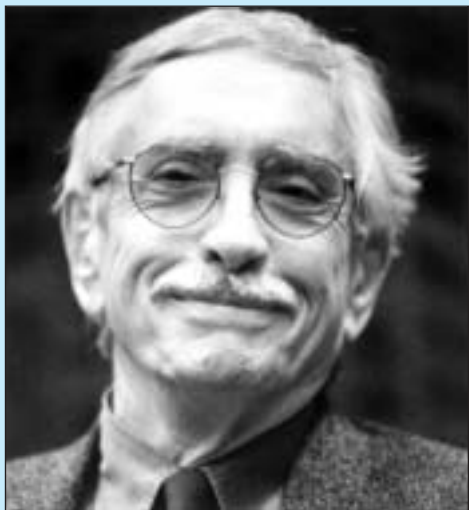
Tickets:

\$8 General Admission
\$6 Children (12 years and under)
\$6 Senior Citizens (60 years and older)

F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre at Rockville Civic Center Park
(Directions Line: 240-314-5004)

Assigned seat tickets may be purchased in advance at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre box office. The box office hours are from 2 to 7 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays and two hours prior to performance time. The box office number is 240-314-8690. Mail orders should be sent to the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre Box Office, Rockville Civic Center Park, 603 Edmonston Dr. Rockville, Md. 20851.

Pulitzer, Tony Winner Edward Albee to be Honored at 8th Annual F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference Oct. 11



2003 Literary Award Recipient Edward Albee

This Year's Writing Workshop Lineup

Every year the F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference provides high-level panel discussions, writing contests (see below), workshops and special events. The eighth Annual Conference is no different.

In addition to Edward Albee, the recipient of this year's Achievement in American Literature award, many notable writers of all genres will appear throughout the day, providing participants with an unparalleled opportunity to hone their writing while learning from some of the most talented practitioners in the field.

The Writing Workshop lineup includes:

- **Elizabeth Arnold** is an award-winning writer, who has studied and taught at some of the finest institutions in the country, including Harvard and the University of Chicago. Many of Arnold's poems have been published in popular publications such as the *Chicago Review* and *Poetry Daily*.
- **Alan Cheuse** is the author of *The Light Possessed*, *The Grandmother's Club* and *Lost and Old Rivers*. A book commentator for National Public Radio's *All Things Considered*, he also teaches at George Mason University.
- **Maxine Clair** is the author of stories, poems and essays including *Coping With Gravity*, *October Brown* and *Rattlebone*. She received a Guggenheim Fellowship and is an associate professor of English at the George Washington University.
- **John Douglass** has won awards for his screenplays at the Houston International Film Festival, Worldfest Charleston and recognition by the Australian Broadcast Arts and Sciences. He is author of *The Art of Technique: An Aesthetic Approach to Film and Video Production* and is currently on the faculty of The American University.
- **Patricia Griffith** is the author of the novels *Supporting the Sky*, *Tennessee Blue*, *the Future Is Not What It Used to Be* and *The World Around Midnight*, which was selected as one of the best books of the year by the American Literary Association. She is a playwright, and two of her short stories have been published in the O. Henry Prize stories.
- **Ernest Joselovitz** is the founder and administrator of the Washington, D.C. Playwrights Forum. His most recent playscript, *Shakespeare, Moses and Joe Papp*, premiered at the Round House Theatre in April/May 2002.
- **Judy K. Morris** is an instructor at The Writer's Center and is author of: *Writing Fiction for Children: Stories Only You Can Tell*. She is author of novels and biographies including *The Crazies and Sam*, *The Kid Who Ran for Principal* and *Nightwalkers*.

Pulitzer Prize- and Tony-winning playwright Edward Albee will be the recipient of the F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Award for Outstanding Achievement in American Literature. The award will be presented to Albee at the Eighth Annual F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference on Saturday, Oct. 11, at Montgomery College in Rockville.

Born in Washington, D.C., Albee gained fame for his Tony Award-winning play, "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" in 1962. The play also earned the New York Drama Critics Circle Award. In all, Albee has received three Pulitzer Prizes and two Tony Awards. Some of his works include "Three Tall Women," "The Sandbox," "The American Dream," and most recently, "The Goat," which earned one of his two Tony Awards.

Albee is a Kennedy Center Honoree and President Bill Clinton in 1997 awarded him the National Medal of Arts. Albee began his playwriting career

in New York during the 1950s. "The Zoo Story" – his first major hit – opened in 1959, and has been described as the birth of "American absurdist drama." During lectures, Albee reflects on the arts as a catalyst for change.

"The job of the arts is to hold a mirror up to us and say, 'Look, this is how you really are,'" Albee has said. "If you don't like it, change."

Albee will be the eighth honoree at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference. He will join an impressive list of legendary writers:

- 2002 – John Updike
- 2001 – Ernest J. Gaines
- 2000 – Norman Mailer
- 1999 – E.L. Doctorow
- 1998 – Joyce Carol Oates
- 1997 – John Barth
- 1996 – William Styron

More information about the F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference will be announced in the future. Check www.ci.rockville.md.us for details, or call 301-309-9461. ■

Short Story Contest Deadlines: July 15



Of the many highlights of the F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference, the Short Story Writing Contest allows writers to showcase their talent to esteemed, award-winning judges, with the ultimate prize of publishing, money and notoriety.

Last year's contest generated more than 500 entries from the two categories: Open Short Story and Short Story for Montgomery County High School Students. The deadline for both categories is July 15.

Winners of each contest will win a cash prize and the chance to read their short story at the conference on Oct. 11 at Montgomery College in

Rockville. This year's conference honoree is playwright Edward Albee.

All entries must include a cover sheet that lists the writer's name, address and phone number. The writer's name should not appear on the subsequent pages of the story. The contests are being sponsored by the F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference, Inc., and are judged by independent judges who do not receive authors' names or other information.

All entries must be postmarked by July 15. Send story submissions to the F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference Contest, c/o Rockville City Hall, 111 Maryland Ave., Rockville, Md. 20850. For more information, call 301-309-9461. ■

Rules for Entries: Open Short Story Contest

- Only residents of Maryland, Virginia, and Washington, D.C. are eligible.
- Entries must be **unpublished**, less than 3,000 words, typed in 10- or 12-point letters, double spaced.
- First prize is \$1,000 plus an invitation to read portions of the story at the Conference award ceremony on Oct. 11. The winning entry will be printed in the 2004 program. Three runner-up prizes of \$200 each will be awarded.
- The entry fee is \$25 per entry. (This entry fee is waived if you are a FSF member.)

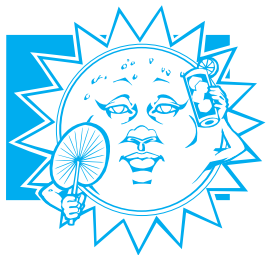
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Rules for Entries: Montgomery Co. High School Short Story Contest

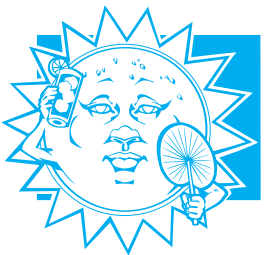
- Open to any high school student who resides or attends school in Montgomery County.
- Entries must be **unpublished**, between 1,000-3,000 words, typed, and double-spaced.
- First prize is \$250 plus an invitation to read portions of the story at the Conference award ceremony on Oct. 11. Three runner-up prizes of \$100 each will be awarded.
- There is no entry fee.

For more detailed information, call 301-309-9461.

To receive a conference brochure, call 301-309-9461 and leave your name and address. Brochures will be mailed in early September.



Free Entertainment IN THE CITY *this* SUMMER



This summer, it is simple to find free, family entertainment in Rockville. On Tuesday evenings beginning July 1, “Kids, Parks, Performing Arts” will travel to a variety of City parks for one hour performances. And on Wednesday evenings beginning July 2, “Family Arts Night” will entertain audiences in Courthouse Square Park. “These are two very diverse programs with extremely talented performers,” said Betty Wisda, Arts Programs Supervisor. “We are

proud to offer these events each year, and especially this summer with the fantastic lineups we have.” Kathleen Moran, City Arts Programs Specialist, noted that the City wanted everyone to have access to the free performances, so the performing arts series seemed like a great opportunity to expand venues. “We really want to share the arts with everyone,” said Moran. “We realize that it’s not

always easy to bring children out to events, so we wanted to bring events closer to families. With this program, we feature a wide variety of performing artists at several locations throughout the City. We hope there’s something for everyone to enjoy.” Judging from the lineups, everyone should find their favorite. From magicians to Klezmer music, to storytelling, puppets and more, visitors are invited to the outdoor (depending on weather)

performances every **Tuesday (July 1-Aug. 12 for “Kids, Parks, Performing Arts”)** and every **Wednesday (July 2-30)**. Each event begins at **7:30 p.m.** In case of inclement weather on Tuesdays call 240-314-8682 and Wednesdays call 240-314-8681 after 6:30 p.m. the day of the show to verify location. Remember to bring a lawn chair or blanket for comfortable seating. The schedule of performers, locations and other information is below. ■

Coming to a Park Near You: Kids, Parks, Performing Arts on Tuesdays



JULY 1: Mark Jaster - Mime, music and more!
Jaster’s skillful movement, wondrous theatrics, live music, humor and plenty of audience participation conspire to delight young and old. Put aside whatever you have come to expect from a mime and get ready to enjoy a world-class entertainer. Be engaged, surprised and amused!
Location: King Farm Park, Watkins Pond Boulevard at Grand Champion Way. Street parking on all four sides of park
Rain site: Glenview Mansion at Rockville Civic Center Park



JULY 8: Shizumi and the Kodomo Dancers - Traditional Japanese dance
Shizumi directs and dances with this troop of student dancers. They share the beauty and intrigue of Japanese culture through costumes and dance. Audiences experience the grace, strength and humor of the Japanese performing arts and learn about the cultural connections between Japan and the United States.
Location: Glenview Mansion Formal Gardens, Rockville Civic Center Park, 603 Edmonston Drive at Baltimore Road. Parking lots available.
Rain site: Glenview Mansion at Rockville Civic Center Park

JULY 15: Cantaré - A Musical Journey to Latin America
Everyone will delight in this celebration of language, syncopated rhythms, wide range of musical and percussive instruments and captivating vocals. Enjoy the rich musical heritage of Argentina, Peru, El Salvador, Brazil and Venezuela.
Location: College Gardens Park, 615 College Parkway. Street parking on College Parkway and Yale Place
Rain site: Glenview Mansion at Rockville Civic Center Park



JULY 22: Turley - The Magician
Magic – the unexpected and funny! It’s interactive, it’s right before your eyes and it’s simply amazing!
Location: Montrose Park, 415 Congressional Lane. Street parking only
Rain site: Montrose Community Center at the park



JULY 29: Goombay - The Caribbean Experience
With contagious energy, pulsating rhythms and upbeat songs, this performance explores the contributions made by European, African and indigenous people. Travel with this musical celebration to Jamaica, Trinidad, Cuba, Martinique, Puerto Rico and the Bahamas.
Location: Courthouse Square Park, Route 28 (Jefferson St.) and Maryland Ave. Street parking or use Middle Lane parking lot
Rain site: Glenview Mansion at Rockville Civic Center Park



AUGUST 5: Baba Jamal Koram - Storytelling
Nationally renowned master storyteller Koram brings alive the history, languages, people, music and lore of many cultures. Through his stories and song he passes on traditional values that speak to the entire human family.
Location: Twinbrook Park, 12920 Twinbrook Parkway. Parking lot within park
Rain site: Twinbrook Community Recreation Center at the park



AUGUST 12: Blue Sky Puppet Theatre - The Three (No-So-Little) Pigs
This is an updated and modern version of the classic story where the pigs play with remote control cars, rock & roll guitars and the wolf is a vegetarian! Meanwhile, mom is focusing on how to get her children to work together – a lesson in cooperation for family members of all ages.
Location: Potomac Woods Park, 2276 Dunster Lane. Parking lot entrance at end of Stratton Drive
Rain site: Glenview Mansion at Rockville Civic Center Park

Beat the Summer Heat With F.A.N.: Music in Town Center on Wednesdays



JULY 2 MYSTIC WARRIORS
Essence of Andean Music
Performers Andres Mallea and Marco Mallea will lead the sounds of world beat, contemporary jazz and Latin rock. The group has shared the stage with famous performers such as TLC, Bo Diddley and Tito Puente.
Rain site: Twinbrook Community Recreation Center, 12920 Twinbrook Parkway



JULY 9 MIRAMAR KLEZMERS
Authentic Klezmer Music
This group’s diverse playlist ensures an uplifting, heartfelt, authentic klezmer musical experience heard at weddings and simches in the old shtetles. In addition, the band also performs Israeli music, American pop and Latin tunes.
Rain site: Twinbrook Community Recreation Center, 12920 Twinbrook Parkway



JULY 16 RETROSPECT
Big Band, Motown, Pop & Rock-n-Roll Music
Celebrating its 25th anniversary, this nine-piece band plays all styles of pop and dance music from the 1940s through 1990s. Retrospect has played at Rockville’s Hometown Holidays and other major area events.
Rain site: F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre, 603 Edmonston Drive



JULY 23 NEW LINE BRASS BAND
Funky New Orleans Parade Music
Blending a mixture of traditional brass band standards, spirituals, zydeco and original compositions, the group plays music with a loose vibe and funky groove. The band has performed at the Kennedy Center Millennium Stage, the Great American Brass Festival and many more premiere venues.
Rain site: F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre, 603 Edmonston Drive



July 30 GROOVY
Blending of Pop, Cuban, Latin, Caribbean and African Music
Offering a uniquely original musical vision, the band takes great pop songs from the 60’s and merges them with an infectious reggae, Latin and Caribbean rhythms from around the world. Appealing to all ages, the mix of original and familiar sounds will keep the feet tapping and minds engaged.
Rain site: Twinbrook Community Recreation Center, 12920 Twinbrook Parkway
Note: Every Family Arts Night (F.A.N.) concert will be performed at Courthouse Square Park in Rockville Town Center unless a rain site is needed.

NOTE: There also is free musical entertainment every Wednesday at 12 noon in Rockville Town Center as part of “Out to Lunch Wednesdays” (see page 4) and the Glenview Mansion Sunday Concert Series (see page 4).

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Out to Lunch Wednesdays

Set in RockvilleTown Center for Second Year



Area musicians will visit Rockville each week to entertain audiences as part of the City's "Out to Lunch Wednesdays" program. Above is the Reunion Blues Dixieland Band, which returns this summer.

Everyone is invited to the second season of "Out to Lunch Wednesdays" on East Montgomery Avenue in Rockville's Town Center from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. The success of last year's program has inspired the Department of Recreation and Parks to expand the season to late October, adding a month of excellent musical performances and farm-fresh treats.

"The program really took off last year," said Mike Henry, Special Events Coordinator for the City. "Since the weather typically stays warm in this area after September, we decided to extend the program through October. We had a very positive response from just about everyone, including the businesses along East Montgomery Avenue, which noted that they had a major spike on Wednesday afternoons."

"Out to Lunch Wednesdays" features a Farmers' Market of fruits and vegetables, plants, flowers, herbs and more, as well as varied musical performances that are sure to appeal to the even the most eclectic of tastes. The bands play from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.

"Out to Lunch Wednesdays" are sponsored in part by Ben and Jerry's, California Tortilla, Moto Photo, Potbelly Sandwich Works and Tara Asia. ■

DATE	BAND	STYLE OF MUSIC
July 2	The Hula Monsters	Hawaiian Swing
July 9	Kevin Kline Band	Pop/Original
July 16	Annapolis Bluegrass Coalition	Bluegrass
July 23	Sookey Jump	Jazz
July 30	Rita Clarke and the Naturals	Bayou Rhythms
August 6	Riptide	Rock
August 13	Project Natale	Classic and Latin Jazz
August 20	MASFIK	Jazz, Pop, R&B
August 27	Unstrung	Jazz
September 3	Rhodes Tavern Troubadours	Original Rock
September 10	Out Behind The Barn	Classic Country
September 17	Lisa Moscatiello Band	Folk Rock
September 24	Rockfish	Rock
October 1	Regency	Acapella
October 8	Reunion Blues Dixieland Band	Dixieland
October 15	Lisa Moscatiello and Rosie Shipley	Traditional Irish
October 22	Eric Scott	Soul/Pop
October 29	James Bazen Band	Jazz

Summer

Arts in Rockville

GLENVIEW MANSION ART GALLERY
Glenview Mansion, Civic Center Park, 603 Edmonston Dr., 240-314-8682

JULY
Rachel Collins: "Intimate Nature" – watercolor paintings
Sigrid Vollerthun: "Imaginary Images Flowers Transformed" – photography based images
Exhibit: July 7-29
Reception: Sunday, July 13 • 1-4 p.m.

AUGUST
Julie Booth, Ann Buchal, Ann Citron, Ann S. Liddle, and Maria Simonsson: "FINE – Fiber In Nearly Everything" – Fiber, mixed media
Exhibit: Aug. 3-Sept. 2
Opening Reception: Sunday, Aug. 3 • 1-4 p.m.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON CONCERT SERIES
Glenview Mansion, Civic Center Park, 603 Edmonston Dr., Conservatory 1st floor, 2 p.m. • **FREE • no ticket required, 240-314-8682**

JULY 13
Marge Calhoun
Original compositions and popular song presented in a unique style.

AUGUST 3
Tobago Bay Calypso Band
Jammin'Oye - traditional calypso, soca, jazz, and popular music!

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F. SCOTT FITZGERALD THEATRE
603 Edmonston Dr., 240-314-8690

ROCKVILLE MUSICAL THEATRE
"Jesus Christ Superstar"
July 10*, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26; August 1, 2 • 8 p.m.
July 20, 27 • 2 p.m.
Tickets: \$14 General Admission
\$6 Students (18 and younger)

ROCKVILLE CIVIC BALLET Summer Production
Aug. 9 • 7:30 p.m.
Aug. 10 • 2:30 p.m.
Tickets: \$8 General Admission
\$6 Children (12 years and under)
\$6 Seniors (60 years and older)

*Senior Citizens (60 years or older) may attend dress rehearsal. Tickets are required and may be obtained at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre Box Office (240-314-8690). Tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre Box Office Hours: Tuesday through Saturday (2-7 p.m.) and two hours prior to performance time.
Location: Rockville Civic Center Park 603 Edmonston Dr., 240-314-8690

Theatre patrons may purchase tickets in person, by phone or by mail order. To purchase tickets by mail order, include your name, address, phone number and the date and time of the performance for which you are purchasing tickets. If you are sending a check, make it payable to the City of Rockville. If you are using a credit card, include the type of card (MasterCard/Visa), the name on the card, account number and expiration date.

THEATRE ON THE LAWN

The Shakespeare Project presents



"TWELFTH NIGHT"

FREE • Wednesday, June 25 • 8 p.m.
Grassy Area behind The Cottage
Rockville Civic Center Park



Bring lawn chairs for comfortable seating. Pack a picnic supper.
Rain Site: Twinbrook Community Recreation Center, 12920 Twinbrook Parkway
In case of inclement weather, call 240-314-8681 after 7 p.m. on the day of the performance to verify location.